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## A Christmas Gift Worth Having.

By GERTRUDE E. WHARTON

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"Mrs. Austin," said the clergyman, "you are on the committee on decoration for Christmas this year."

"Indeed, Mr. Rice, the others must get on without me. I have no heart for the work."

The good man turned away without trying to persuade her. He knew that there was a sorrow always with her and intensified on this Christmas anniversary. Her husband, Edgar, had gone away from her six years before and had never returned. Every year her little boy had asked, "Mamma, isn't papa coming home for Christmas?" and every year she had been obliged to put him off by saying: "Not this year, Arthur dear. Perhaps he may be with us next year." But she only said it to lighten the child's disappointment, for she did not believe he would ever come.

Edgar Austin was an artist and had an artist's temperament. He had married a woman with a very practical disposition, and when hard times came on and he was not able to sell his pictures he had lost her patience at the hardships she was obliged to endure and had told her husband that he had better leave such "idle work" as "darning" and take up something that would bring more steady and practical results.

While Edgar was painting he forgot the troubles that were always present with her. It was her part to see that the rent was paid and the other necessities of life were provided. Since she had little money for them she at last lost all patience and upbraided her husband. There seemed but one thing for him to do to save himself from breaking down under the strain—to go away from her. One day he took his little boy, who was then four years old, in his arms and after a long embrace went out of the house and did not return.

At times Mrs. Austin received small donations from the clergyman, which she supposed came from his parishioners. On this and what she was able to earn she managed to get on. She knew that it was her want of sympathy for her husband in his profession during a trying time that had driven him from her, and bitterly she rued it. She would have called him back, but she did not know where to find him. The child had been his constant companion, often playing in the studio, and the artist said that he could always do better work with his boy near him. For six years the easel had stood with an unfinished picture on it, and the studio remained in every respect as it was when Austin left it.

The day before Christmas the clergyman came to the house with a large basket on his arm and emptied it on the kitchen table.

"These things," he said, pointing to one heap, "are for supper tonight and these for your dinner on Christmas day."

"How many kind people there are in your church! But how could any congregation help being kind with such a pastor?"

"And, Arthur," the clergyman continued, speaking to the little boy, "I've got a nice present for you and one for mamma, too, which I shall bring in this evening before dinner that you may have it Christmas eve and enjoy it all Christmas day."

Mrs. Austin took great pains in preparing the supper, brought out a set of china she had received as a wedding gift and set an extra place at the table for the pastor. It was dark before 5 o'clock, and she lighted the lamps, and Arthur was delighted at the smell of the good things coming from the kitchen. He had forgotten that the minister was coming and, seeing the extra place, asked:

"Is that for papa?"

The mother burst into tears. With all the comfort on this evening, blessed to all Christian families, the husband and father was still away, perhaps dead.

At 6 o'clock there was a tap on the door. Arthur ran to open it, crying, "It's all ready, Mr. Rice!" But instead of Mr. Rice there was another, who picked the boy up and held him to his breast. The mother came from the kitchen to see her husband standing in

the doorway embracing his child. Then in a moment she, too, was taken to the man's arms, and kisses from mother and child were rained on the artist's face.

"Wife," he said, "my fortune is made. I have sent you through Mr. Rice all I could earn—little enough. I grant—but now I can sell pictures as fast as I can paint them. A year after leaving you I found means to take me to Paris. A few months ago I painted a picture that was hung in the salon, and it made a great hit. But we must not stay here, where I am not yet known. Besides, my pictures will bring higher prices coming from abroad. We must go back to Paris."

Then they all sat down to supper, the happiness that had so suddenly come with this Christmas eve twinkling in their very finger tips. But the transition was too quick for Arthur to understand.

"Papa," said the little man, "I thought you was Mr. Rice. What does it all mean, anyway?"

"It means," said the mother, "that when people are doing the best they can it's wicked for others to make it all the harder for them by complaint."

"Not wicked," said the father, "only a natural giving way under what nature cannot endure."

## GOULD LEASES ABBOTSFORD.

Actress Wife of Frank to Have Walter Scott's Home.

Abbotsford, the historic mansion of Sir Walter Scott, located at Melrose, Scotland, on the banks of the river Tweed, has been leased by Frank Jay Gould, and in the home that the novelist purchased by the fruits of his pen and then lost for a time when his publishing firm failed, the pleasure-loving millionaire will install his actress bride, Ethel Kelly.

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The house itself is a large, gray, irregularly shaped place, and it is filled with ancient armor and trophies of the chase, as well as the author's own furniture. Then there are a jewel box which belonged to Mary, queen of Scots; Rob Roy's own purse, a rifle once carried by the Tyrolean patriot Hofer and other relics connected with Scott's historic career.

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## DRUNK, SO TAFT LETS HIM LIVE

Death Sentence of John Wynne Commuted

## TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT

Intoxication Not an Excuse, But the President in Opinion Written in His Own Hand Says Mitigating Circumstances.

Washington, Dec. 21.—In commuting yesterday to life imprisonment the sentence of death passed upon John Wynne at Honolulu, Hawaii, President Taft takes the view that intoxication at the time of committing murder may be urged in extenuation of the degree of the crime.

Wynne, who was an oiler on the steamer Rosecrans, was convicted of the murder of a man named McKinnon, the third engineer of that vessel, in Honolulu harbor. Many petitions for the commutation of sentence were received by the president from Honolulu and San Francisco. Wynne's aged mother, living in Ireland, has never heard of her son's plight.

The evidence showed that Wynne was under the orders of McKinnon and had often expressed grievances against him. Returning aboard the vessel one night in Honolulu, Wynne passed McKinnon's stateroom and saw him lying asleep with his head toward the door. Wynne, with a hammer, smashed McKinnon's skull.

In passing upon the case, President Taft indorsed the papers in part as follows:

Drinking All Day.

"If Wynne was sober and in his right mind, there was ample time and opportunity for him to form a premeditated purpose to kill McKinnon and to execute it and the elements of murder in the first degree would all be present and require the verdict given. But there is evidence that Wynne had been drinking all day and that when he came aboard his gut was unsteady and he was in a drunken condition."

"It is sufficient, in my judgment, to raise a reasonable doubt whether his mind was in a condition capable of that premeditation necessary to constitute murder in the first degree. The facts are consistent with the theory that Wynne as he walked unsteadily by McKinnon's room, and saw McKinnon lying where an attack was easy, suddenly conceived a homicidal purpose to gratify his grievance against McKinnon, which he had just been discussing with one Bright, the second engineer, both in their cups, and quickly procuring a hammer, he hit the head which lay helplessly and temptingly exposed to his drunken impulse."

"If this theory is sustained, as I believe it is, by one reasonable view of the evidence, then it constitutes the reasonable doubt of the existence of one element indispensable in making the crime of murder in the first degree, to wit: premeditation."

Drunkenness No Excuse.

"Drunkenness is no excuse for crime, but it may be inconsistent with a state of mind necessary to constitute a certain degree of crime. Of course, if after determining to commit murder, one gets drunk in order to nerve himself to the deed, the drunkenness only points to and confirms the premeditation; but where the purpose to kill is formed in a drunken brain, this intoxicated condition rebuts the inference of premeditation necessary in murder of the first degree."

"The pardon attorney and the attorney general have reached the same conclusion in this case, as that above indicated. Judge Dole, the trial judge, in effect reports that he concurs in this idea. The jury recommends commutation of the sentence to life imprisonment. For the reasons given the sentence of death will be commuted to one of imprisonment for life."

The president's indorsement was in his own handwriting.

## DRINKS ACID; WOMAN HELD.

Philadelphia Man Kills Himself While She Talks Suicide.

Philadelphia, Dec. 21.—Snatching a glass filled with carolic acid from his hand as she stood threatening suicide after a quarrel, Charles Morbach, 30 years of age, drank the acid himself and died a few minutes later. Mary A. Kalek, the only witness, says she did not see the man drink the acid, and doubts that he did.

Mrs. Kalek, suffering from acid burns on face, hands and arms, refuses to believe that the man she was to have married is dead. She insists he made believe.

The hospital doctors say Morbach's mouth smelled strongly of carolic acid. Mrs. Kalek says she had no intention of swallowing the acid.

"I was only pretending," she sobbed.

## CHARLEY TAFT STIRS THINGS.

Presence of President's Son in the White House Is Palpable.

Washington, Dec. 21.—Charley Taft, the president's younger son, is home for the holidays, and things have begun to happen around the White House. Charley is wearing his first pair of long trousers.

Charley rummaged through the attic at the executive offices and ran across a model of an aeroplane which had been sent to the president. He will try to get a glide from the White House roof if they'll let him.

Charley also ran the White House telephone switchboard for an hour or more.

## BAD MAN WHEN HE'S SOBER.

Wife Says He Was All Right Until He Mended His Ways.

Worcester, Mass., Dec. 21.—Mrs. Hazel Garabedian, wife of Bedros Garabedian, was a witness against her husband in central district court Monday on a charge of assault and battery. She said: "When my husband used to get drunk he was a good man and kind man, but now that he has mended his ways and is sober, I can't live with him."

Judge Wiley remarked that this was peculiar, but he fined Garabedian \$10 for twisting his wife's wrist.

## INFLAMMATION MADE HER ALMOST CRAZY

With Pain, Itching Settled from Knee to Toes, Physicians Cost a Fortune. No Relief. Went to Hospital 3 Years. Unable to Help.

Finally Used Cuticura and Was Completely Cured.

"I began to have an itching over my whole body about seven years ago and this settled in my limbs, from the knee to the toes. I went to see a great many physicians, a matter which cost me a fortune, and after I looked that I did not get any relief that way, I went for three years to the hospital. But they were unable to help me there. I used all the medicines that I could see but became worse and worse. I had an inflammation which made me almost crazy with pain. When I showed my foot to my friends they would get really frightened. I did not know what to do. I was so sick and had become so nervous that I positively lost all hope."

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## ROCKEFELLER GIVES \$10,000,000 TO CHICAGO

His Final Donation to University, He Says, Makes a Total of \$35,000,000 Given to This Institution by Him.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—John D. Rockefeller has completed the task he set for himself in the founding of the university of Chicago. Yesterday, public announcement was made of a "single and final gift" of \$10,000,000, which includes all the contributions that Mr. Rockefeller had planned to make to the university. This sum will be paid in 100 annual installments beginning January 1. It will make a total of approximately \$35,000,000 that Mr. Rockefeller has given the university.

Mr. Rockefeller says he now believes the school should be supported and enlarged by the gifts of many rather than those of a single donor. This he believes will be better accomplished if the public understands the limit of his contemplated assistance. The founding of new departments he leaves to the trustees as he says funds may be furnished by other friends of the university.

Up to the present time the sum of nearly \$7,000,000 has been given to the university in addition to Mr. Rockefeller's gift.

With the announcement of Mr. Rockefeller's final donation came the resignation of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., and Fred T. Gates, Mr. Rockefeller's personal representatives, from the university board of trustees.

In enclosing these resignations, Mr. Rockefeller explained that he was only carrying a conviction that the institution should be "controlled, conducted and supported by the people" with whom up to this date he had been simply co-operating.

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## In Woman's Realm.

Red and black patent leather belts are still popular, but dark colors are gaining on them.

When next making rice pudding, flavor with lemon and cinnamon. It will be found exceedingly tasty.

Any lack of symmetrical beauty in the body may be remedied by judicious exercise for the development of all undeveloped parts. These exercises should be made judiciously, under the advice of a physician or physical director.

Knife cleaning may be made easier by dipping a piece of raw potato in the scouring material, rubbing with that instead of a cloth. The juice of the potato is not only a good cleanser in itself, but it keeps the scouring paste moist.

Some of the smartest little ribbon bows for the neck are made with the loops about two inches long and an inch wide. They are simple flat bows, with a tiny flower or two at the center. The pink bow will have a few tiny rosebuds, or the blue bow a few forget-me-nots.

## Fruit Aid to Digestion.

The juices of fruit are highly valuable as a means of cleansing the stomach and alimentary canals. Disease-producing germs cannot grow in them to any extent. This is particularly true of the juice of raw fruit. Canned fruits, such as baked apples, prunes, pears and other soft fruit, may be used without injury if without cane sugar, and not eaten with cow's milk. Fruit should be taken at regular meal times, not between meals. It combines especially well with cereal foods.

About the only precaution which need be given in relation to fruits is, that they do not form a good combination with certain vegetables. This fact explains many cases of gastric disturbances. Thoroughly healthy persons do not always need to observe the rule to avoid the use of fruit and vegetables at the same meal, provided all food is thoroughly chewed, but invalids, and especially persons with dilated stomachs or slow digestion, will be greatly benefited by observing this precaution.

## The Well-dressed Woman.

To dress in proportion to one's income, in accordance with one's position and age, and appropriately to the occasion, are among the essentials which characterize a well-dressed woman. No one is respected who dresses more expensively than her income will permit, and who seems to carry all her worldly possessions on her back, says the Ladies' World.

Good taste is in avoidance of showy, conspicuous clothing, elaborate trimmings, or exaggerated fashions. A woman of refinement does not appear to be conscious of her clothes. She wears them with ease and grace. She attends scrupulously to each detail of dress before leaving her room and then gives no more thought to the matter. In a word, a well-dressed woman's clothes should seem of less consequence than the wearer.

It is important to choose the color, style and material suitable to age, complexion, figure and height, and not to imitate the dress of another person, the style of which may be unsuitable to the imitator. The careful adaptation of fashions to individual requirements is a serious consideration.

Absolute neatness in dress is an essential. Gloves, neck-accessories, shoes and hats should be fresh. Gowns should be in perfect order and well brushed. Undergarments should be as fresh and neat as gowns and hats.

A tailor-made dress of dark color and durable material is necessary for street wear, for church, shopping, informal morning visits to intimate friends. Gloves of tan dog skin, or of undressed kid, gray or tan, calfskin boots, a hat not too large, are appropriate with a gown of this sort.

In winter a gown of fine cloth is worn when going to day weddings, luncheons, afternoon receptions or card parties; a more dressy hat is used than for morning wear; white kid gloves and patent leather shoes complete the attire. Gloves are taken off when taking one's seat at "sitting-down" wedding breakfast, a luncheon, or card party.

Waists of lace or chiffon may be for theatre wear with separate skirt of silk or cloth. Hats are removed at a theatre.

When having "days-at-home," dresses high in the neck are worn. Young women and girls wear chiffon cloth, silks or fine woolen fabrics in pale colors. Older women wear darker gowns or handsome black gowns.

## The Gift List.

No matter how carefully one plans, nor how fast and furiously one shops, there are usually several vacancies on the gift list as the days approach particularly near Christmas. Either the gift intended can't be found or it costs more than was expected, so something else must be substituted, or "What to get?" is still the question. Perhaps these few suggestions may help fill some of those vacancies.

For grandfather or grandmother, a reading glass is a most welcome gift. So, too, is a comfortable footstool. The short person welcomes a footstool also. To the woman who boards send a box of home-made goodies. Particularly will she delight in it, if she is one of the kind who likes to get her friends into her room of an evening and have some little "spread." Some home-made cookies or other kinds of cake—home-made candy, even a package of tea, though not home-made, if it is a favorite brand will be welcome.

There's a wealth of gifts for the motorist. A license case is convenient if one travels in many states. Especially large "barrel" electric lights—the nickel tubes, containing a battery and a light—come for the motorist. They give a brilliant, steady light, and they are easier to handle than the auto lamp when something goes wrong after dark with the mechanism.

Anyone who has a fad is always glad of books on the subject by experts. As nearly everybody these days has a fad, and as nearly every subject under the sun is written upon, it is easy to send a volume that will be helpful and enjoyable.

The business woman would no doubt welcome from a member of the family or an intimate friend a pair of the thin rubber leggings that fit like a glove and have no appreciable weight. A pair of sandals that fold up flat in a little silk rubber bag so that they can be carried in a handbag or pocket are also a useful and attractive gift.

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## KIDNAPER CONVICTED

Maria Rappa Found Guilty in Ten Minutes

## BODY BLOW TO BLACK HAND

Penalty for Crime Is From Five to Fifty Years—The Kidnaped Child Testifies at the Trial.

New York, Dec. 21.—Justice dealt the black hand a quick body blow in Brooklyn yesterday with the conviction in less than six hours of a woman kidnaper. She is Maria Rappa, a frail, weazened Italian woman, not more than 30 years of age. A jury in the country court, after only ten minutes deliberation, found her guilty of abetting the kidnapping of little Michael Rizzo and Giuseppe Longo. The penalty is not less than five years nor more than 50 years in state's prison. Sentence will be passed next Tuesday.

The woman sat stolidly through the proceedings and flatly denied any complicity in the case. It was in her apartment, however, the Longo boy was found, and the other evidence was damaging, including the child's own story as told on the stand.

When the verdict was announced, Judge Fawcett expressed gratification and pronounced it the "severest blow to the black hand" since he has been on the bench.

Stanislus Pattenza, indicted with the woman, was placed on trial to-day and the state hopes for a conviction. Eight other prisoners, arrested in connection with the same case, are then to be tried.

## BIG SALE OF RED CROSS STAMPS.

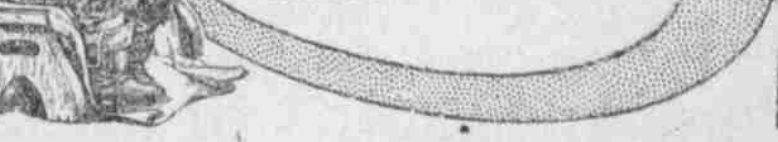
Nearly 35,000,000 Sold Up to Saturday.

Probably 50,000,000 Will Be Sold.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 20.—The Red Cross society says that nearly 35,000,000 stamps had been sold Saturday. It is believed that the sale this year will exceed 50,000,000.

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